

Osadby Urban District Council



ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year 1965

Incorporating a report on
the sanitary circumstances
of the District prepared
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Memorandum of Understanding, 1950



1. The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to

provide for

the mutual cooperation and assistance between the

two parties in the field of

the promotion of economic and social development

and the improvement of living standards

in the region.

2. The parties agree to

cooperate in the field of economic and social development
and to provide mutual assistance in the improvement of living standards

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

OFFICERS AND STAFF

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

Robert William Kind, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H.

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
& HOUSING MANAGER

J.G. Davies, M.A.P.H.I.

DEPUTY CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

R.J. Percival, M.A.P.H.I.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANT

J.W. Scothern

PUPIL PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

Post Vacant

CLERK

Miss P.J. Small

Area in acres 2,529

Number of houses

occupied 4,847

Rateable value at

April 1st 1965 £645,188

Additional occupied

houses combined

with shops 47

Sum represented by

penny rate £2,848

Number of houses owned

by the Council 34.5

Population

(mid 1965) 15,310

BIRTHS

DEATHS

Live Births

Legitimate

Male 140

Female 117

Total 257

Illegitimate

Male 2

Female 2

Total 4

Total Live Births

Male 142

Female 119

Total 261

Stillbirths

Male 2

Female 2

Total 4

Birth rate per 1,000

estimated population 17.0

Deaths

All Causes

Male 53

Female 44

Total 97

Deaths from puerperal

causes Nil

Deaths of Infants under

one year

Male 2

Female 3

Total 5

Deaths of infants under

four weeks of age

Male 2

Female 2

Total 4

Death rate per 1,000

estimated population 6.3

Infant mortality per

1,000 live births 19.1

Causes of DeathsYear ending 31st December,
1965

Registrar General's Classification	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1. Tuberculosis, Respiratory	-	-	-
2. Tuberculosis, other	-	-	-
3. Syphilitic disease	-	-	-
4. Diphtheria	-	-	-
5. Whooping Cough	-	-	-
6. Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-
7. Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-
8. Measles	-	-	-
9. Other infective and parasitic disease	-	-	-
10. Malignant neoplasm, stomach	-	2	2
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung bronchus	5	-	5
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	1	1
13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	2	2
14. Malignant neoplasms, lymphatic and other	5	3	8
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia	-	-	-
16. Diabetes	-	-	-
17. Vascular lesions of the nervous system	5	11	16
18. Coronary disease, angina	13	8	21
19. Hypertension with heart disease	1	1	2
20. Other heart disease	8	5	13
21. Other circulatory disease	2	-	2
22. Influenza	-	-	-
23. Pneumonia	2	2	4
24. Bronchitis	3	-	3
25. Other diseases of the respiratory system	-	-	-
26. Ulcer of stomach or duodenum	-	-	-
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	-	-	-
28. Nephritis and nephrosis	-	1	1
29. Hyperplasia of the prostate	-	-	-
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-
31. Congenital malformations	1	1	2
32. Other defined and ill defined diseases	2	4	6
33. Motor vehicle accidents	2	1	3
34. All other accidents	1	1	2
35. Suicide	3	1	4
36. Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-
	53	44	97

INFECTIOUS DISEASE

TUBERCULOSIS

There were no deaths from this disease during 1965. One new case was notified and a further two individuals suffering from this disease came to live in Oadby.

The total number of cases residing in the district at the close of the year was as shown :-

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	21	9	30
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Nil	1	1
Totals	21	10	31

OTHER NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

The following cases were notified :-

Measles	227
Whooping cough	1
Food poisoning	2


The cases of food poisoning were followed up, the nature of the infecting organism determined and surveillance continued until freedom from infection was established.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS

No formal action was necessary during the year.

Several elderly persons were reported as in need of care but informal measures were all that was needed to safeguard their welfare. In one case admission to hospital was secured by persuasion.

A REPORT
ON THE SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES
OF THE OADBY URBAN DISTRICT
FOR THE YEAR 1965.



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1. WATER SUPPLY

The water supplied to the district from Leicester Corporation sources has been adequate and satisfactory.

No houses in the district are without a mains supply of water within the premises.

2. SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The new sewage disposal works was completed during the year. During its commissioning trials difficulties have been experienced with the control of sludge pressing. The effluent has never been consistently within Royal Commission limits although the filter beds show excellent nitrification.

The smell produced during sludge conditioning operations is pervasive and the problem of its elimination has not yet been solved.

The regular 24 hour swabs in the main effluent drain have shown salmonella organisms on very few occasions.

3. CESSPOOLS AND CLOSETS

There are five pail closets and thirteen cesspools within the district. 4887 water closets serve all other houses.

4. REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

The refuse collection fleet comprises two Shelvoke & Drewry fore and aft tippers, one Shelvoke & Drewry Pakamatic, one open Karrier for special collections and a power shovel for tip control.

A weekly collection service is maintained.

Trade refuse is also collected weekly and all bins after the first charged at 1/- each. More frequent collections can be arranged and are charged for on a time and labour cost basis.

Tipping space is restricted and methods of processing refuse are being studied by officers and councillors.

5. SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE DISTRICT

494 Complaints were received

448 Premises were involved

INSPECTIONS MADE

	Number of Inspections
Animal Keeping	Nil
Bakehouses	4
Dairies	Nil
Drainage Works	58
Dwelling-houses (all purposes)	1,024
Infectious Diseases Inquiries	38
Food Poisoning Inquiries	24
Food Premises	124
Offensive Trades	Nil
Refuse Collection and Disposal	1,518
Rodent Control	773

INSPECTIONS MADE

	Number of Inspections
Schools	16
Shops and Offices	261
Slaughter-houses & Meat inspection	838
Smoke Control	16
Verminous & Dirty Premises	30
Caravans, etc.	4
Water Supplies	5
Factories & Workplaces	139
Other Inspections	721
TOTAL	5,593

NOTICES

Public Health Acts.

Notices outstanding on January 1st	Nil
Notices issued during the year	20
Notices complied with during the year	18
Number outstanding on December 31st	2

REGULATED BUILDINGS

There are no regulated buildings in the area.

VERMINOUS PREMISES

Two houses were found to be infested and appropriate remedial action was taken.

No Council property was involved.

6. OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Class of premises	Number registered	Number of inspections	Accidents reported	Contraventions		
				Found	Remedied	Outstanding 31. 12. 65
Offices	22	22	Nil	21	21	Nil
Retail Shops	82	81	Nil	181	135	46
Wholesale Shops, warehouses	20	20	Nil	41	28	13
Catering estbs. open to the pub- lic, canteens	13	11	Nil	27	19	8
Fuel Storage depots	1	1	Nil	3	Nil	3
TOTALS	138	135	Nil	273	203	70

No accidents were reported.

7. PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

One licence was issued during the year, and the premises were inspected on three occasions and found to be satisfactory.

8. ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS ACT, 1963

One person in the area is licenced and three inspections were made of the premises.

9. FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960
FOOD & DRUGS ACT, 1955

Number of premises inspected	56
Number of inspections made	124
Informal notices served	16
Notices complied with	15
Notices outstanding on 31st December	1

ICE CREAM

29 premises were registered for retail sale of ice cream. Nine samples were taken, all proving to be Grade I. Three iced lollies were sampled and proved satisfactory.

10. MILK & DAIRIES (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1959

Number of distributors registered ...	9
Inspections carried out	9

No milk sampling took place.

11. MEAT & OTHER FOODS

There are two slaughterhouses in the area which are licenced and comply with the standards required by the Slaughterhouse (Hygiene) and Slaughter of Animals (Prevention of Cruelty) Regulations, 1958.

All animals killed were inspected with the following results :-

Carcases Inspected and Condemned

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	1,318	28	274	9,645	1,528	-
Number inspected	1,318	28	274	9,645	1,528	-
<u>All Diseases except Tuberculosis</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	1	3	14	36	1	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was con- demned	151	2	1	66	92	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with diseases other than tuberculosis	11.53	17.85	5.47	1.05	6.08	-

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Carcases Inspected and Condemned

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was con- demned	-	-	-	-	2	-
Percentage of the Number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	0.13	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Carcases of which some part or organ was con- demned	2	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigera- tion	2	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

12. NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

Sound level recordings were taken in cases of complaints concerning industrial noise. No action was considered necessary.

13. SWIMMING BATHS

Thirty two samples of water were taken from the swimming pool, three of which were unsatisfactory. Chemical treatment of the filters was undertaken.

14. RODENT CONTROL

A full time rodent operator is employed. 161 infestations necessitated 45 visits by your public health inspectors and 728 by your rodent operator.

15. HOUSING

INSPECTIONS OF DWELLING HOUSES

Number of houses inspected 147

Number of inspections made 226

No houses were found unfit for habitation.

29 unfit houses were rendered fit by their owners after informal action.

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

No applications were received for discretionary grants.

Applications for standard grants were dealt with as follows :-

Applications from owner/occupiers 2

Applications from owners of rented property 20

Applications approved 21

Properties improved during 1965 10

NEW HOUSES

Houses completed during 1965:

Local Authority	27
Private Enterprise	250

Houses in course of construction at 31st December:

Local Authority	65
Private Enterprise	174

Total post-war construction

Local Authority	34.5
Private Enterprise	3116

LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING LIST

Applications received during 1965	37
Total applicants listed	141

16. FACTORIES

There are 90 factories registered

Number of inspections carried out	139
Number of defects found	2
Number of notices served	1

There are 20 outworkers registered.

17. CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

No major problem was encountered during 1965.

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